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TV Bogey Man

Chart Plan of Action

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

This is a report to members of the Order on developments in our campaign to puncture the Mafia myth.

A number of steps have been taken by the Order's National Committee on Public Relations in the past few weeks and more are contemplated in the near future.

Just now our efforts are primarily concentrated in the entertainment field. Our sights have been set on a new television series called "The Untouchables." These series began October 15 and will be televised each week through next Spring. The series have been produced by the Desilu Studios.

The premiere production was concerned with gangland incidents immediately following the imprisonment of Al Capone back in the Prohibition Days.

First Alert

Through an advisory bulletin members throughout the country were alerted to the new series. The bulletin spelled out action to be taken in the event the production made one single reference to the Mafia. This bulletin listed the various sponsors of the series.

Those who saw the hour-long show on TV the night of October 15, we are sure, will agree that the Order did not have a case. The script spotlighted a number of incidents which we all know are now part of American crime history.

But as this edition of OSIA NEWS is being mailed to readers throughout the United States and Canada the third in these Desilu productions will be televised.

Publicity notices sent to newspapers by the American Broadcasting Co., stated that the October 29 telecast was based on the

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The Silly Season Must Be Here

Those persons who are helping to nurture the myth of the Mafia bogey man have reached a new low.

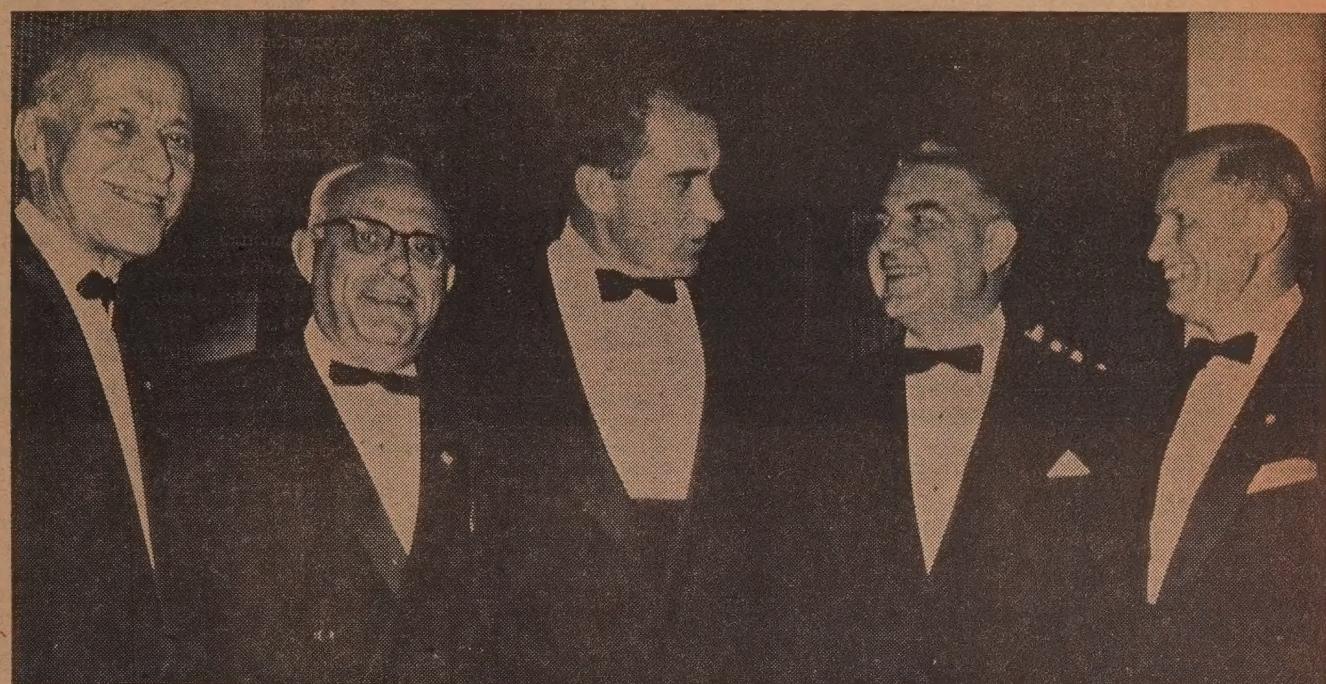
Two recent stories released by the United Press International conjured up the weird picture of the Mafia taking over crime operations in both the Philippines and the Hawaiian Islands.

In the release from Honolulu police officials of that city were quoted as saying now that Hawaii has become the 50th state in the Union an influx of "Mafia members" was expected from California.

From Manila UPI reported that the Philippine Government had been told that "the notorious Mafia crime organization is conducting large-scale smuggling and gun-running activities."

The UPI release carried this punch line, "The sources said that the international crime syndicate has headquarters in Manila and a membership that includes AMERICANS, CHINESE and FILIPINOS."

All we can say is — "What No Italians?"



ORDER'S OFFICIALS AT NIXON DINNER FOR PREMIER SEGNI

Vice President Richard Nixon, center, host at a dinner honoring Italian Prime Minister Antonio Segni during his visit to Washington, chats with officials of the Order. From left to right, President Judge Eugene V. Alessandroni, Philadelphia, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order; Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi, Woburn, Mass., Vice President Nixon, Gov. Christopher DelSesto of Rhode Island, and John A. Volpe, Winchester, Mass., former federal highway administrator and national chairman of the Order's National Home Committee.

Supreme Lodge Appointments

Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi, Woburn, Mass., has named all national committees, appointed Supreme Deputies and has organized a new national committee.

Newly organized is the Dr. Vincenzo Sellaro Memorial Committee, established to honor the memory of the founder and first Supreme Venerable of the Order Sons of Italy in America.

Grand Venerable Carmine A. Ventiera, Brooklyn, N. Y., has been named committee chairman.

In addition to the committee appointments, Supreme Venerable Gorrasi has named 14 Supreme Deputies to represent the 19 Grand Lodges in the United States and the Grand Lodges of Ontario and Quebec, Canada.

National committee chairmen re-appointed are:

John A. Volpe, Malden, Mass., National Home Committee.

OSIA NEWS Director A. Alfred Marcello, Worcester, Mass., Public Relation Committee.

Supreme Orator Joseph C. Pa-

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On The Immigration Front

Progress Reported in Order's Program

The Order's Immigration and Naturalization Committee, headed by Grand Venerable Samuel A. Culotta of Baltimore, Md., reports the Order has achieved "some measure of success" in its fight for just immigration legislation.

Culotta announced that with the recent signing into law by President Eisenhower of H.R. 6118 and H.R. 5896, the Order's resolution adopted in April at Toronto and the resolution adopted in August at the Supreme convention have been substantially accomplished.

"The efforts of the Grand Lodges and the Supreme Council were most fruitful. Of course, there were many other organizations that worked in the same direction as the Order, however, I am confident that the Order's effort was the bed rock of the support that was mustered in support of these bills," he said.

Bill Reunites Families

Approval of H.R. 5896 now permits the re-establishment of family units, such as adult children, and certain brothers and sisters that have been separated for long periods of time through no fault of their own.

Passage of H.R. 6118 now provides for a two-year extension of discretionary authority in the Attorney General to grant waivers of exclusion in the case of certain aliens afflicted with tuberculosis, and extends the 1957 law under which eligible orphans, under proper safeguards, may enter the United States outside the Immigration quota for one year.

Pointing up the Order's role in the passage of the bills, Culotta said 58 telegrams were sent to key senators prior to the closing of

the Supreme convention urging their support.

Objections Withdrawn

He said objections by several senators were withdrawn on H.R. 6118 and the measure was approved by both Houses and sent to President Eisenhower for approval.

With the approval of Supreme Venerable Joseph Gorrasi, Brother Culotta dispatched a letter to

the President in which he expressed the Order's endorsement of the measure.

Culotta also requested the President to urge the enactment of H.R. 5896.

The President signed H.R. 6118 into law on September 10. H.R. 5896 was approved by the Senate and House with minor amendments, and was signed by the President on September 22.

Quota Change Needed

While the Order has made some progress, Culotta said, "we

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Order's Expansion Program

Seven New Lodges Inducted

Seven new lodges have been added to the growing list of lodges under the expansion program of the Order.

In California new lodges have been inducted at San Jose, Hayward and Rio Dell.

The Grand Lodge of New York recently inducted two new lodges in the Bronx and one in Mt. Vernon.

The Massachusetts Grand Lodge granted a charter to a new lodge formed in Boston.

California

SAN JOSE LODGE

SAN JOSE — More than 300 persons attended the inauguration of the new San Jose Lodge No. 2090 held at the Civic Auditorium.

Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta presided at the ceremonies. He was assisted by Grand Recording Secretary Vincent Melella and Supreme Trustee Giulia Besozzi.

More than 80 members of the new lodge were present for the mass initiation.

Duchessa d'Aosta Lodge was sponsoring lodge, and Grand Orator Frank Ragone was the lodge organizer.

Speakers included Grand Venerable Raeta, Grand Recording Secretary Melella, Grand Historian Angelo Bacoccina, Grand Treasurer Rocco Chiechi and Grand Orator Ragone.

Brother Ragone, who was presented a check for \$100 by the Grand Lodge for organizing the lodge, presented the gift to the new lodge.

A banquet was held following the ceremonies.

Members of the Grand Council attending were, Third Assistant Grand Venerable Salvatore Argento, Grand Trustees Pat Mastantonio, Peter Capineri, Aldo Tadolini and Fay Sola, and Ca-

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Order Takes Part In Hub Parade

BOSTON—Contingents of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts entered a float and motorcade in this city's annual Columbus Day parade.

Predominant in the Sons of Italy entries was the display of purple, the national color of the Order.

Santa Maria Lodge No. 1570, Medford, joined with Boston-Italia Lodge No. 2095 in sponsoring a float which featured Columbus's visit to Queen Isabella of Spain.

Tableaus symbolizing the Order's principles of Liberty, Equality and Fraternity were presented in a three-car display by Marie Montessori Lodge of Belmont.

The lodge's purple banner was displayed in the lead car by Mary Banfiglio and Jay Conte.

Santa Robbio, lodge venerable,

Marcello is Milford Speaker

MILFORD, Mass.—The Order Sons of Italy in America is keeping the spirit of Christopher Columbus alive by a number of programs, A. Alfred Marcello, national public relation chairman, told a Columbus Day gathering here.

Marcello spoke before 200 members of the Milford Lodge in a program commemorating the 467th anniversary of the discovery of America.

The speaker told of the activities of the National Historical Society, the Order's cultural program and other national projects he said were devised by the Order "to keep the spirit of Columbus alive day in and day out."

Marcello spoke at some length on the Order's campaign to puncture the Mafia myth. He explained that the Order, through its national public relations com-

mittee, has instituted a program to curb the stereotyping of Italians as criminals in television and movie productions.

He said that the campaign would require constant surveillance on the part of every member if it is to succeed.

Other speakers included Ex-Grand Venerable John Guarino, East Boston; Grand Trustee Joseph A. Toscano, Worcester; Miss Elsie Apicella, Hopedale; Adam DiConio, venerable of Salvezza d'Italia Lodge; Chairman of Selectmen John P. Pyne, Sheriff William A. Bennett, Worcester, and the Rev. Fr. Raymond Dalla Porta, CPS, pastor of Sacred Heart of Jesus Church.

Grand Trustee John L. Moschilli, past venerable of the lodge, was toastmaster. Mario Bruno was chairman of the general committee.

500 Attend Worcester Banquet

WORCESTER — R. Alfred Campisi, Waltham, Grand Orator of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge, admonished the "forces of hate" in the use of the term "Mafia" and the stereotyping of Italians as criminals in radio, television and movie productions.

Campisi was principal speaker at the Columbus Day Festival banquet highlighting a three-day observance by lodges of Worcester and Shrewsbury.

The speaker enumerated the Order's five cardinal principals which are based on adherence to America's Constitution, love of country and fellowman, service to country and promotion of culture, and respect for justice and law and order.

He said in part:

"While we constantly live up to these principles, it is apparent that there are forces of hate at work."

Forces of Hate

"Forces of hate that have introduced the word Mafia into the minds of people. So much so that when we turn on our radio or television or view a movie, it is the Italian who is tabbed as the criminal."

"This is not justice for a people that have contributed so much to the building of America, for the great numbers who served and died in the defense of our great country."

"Let us speak out as Americans against these forces of hate."

"We will counteract their vici-

Appeal For New Year Edition

OSIA NEWS has received a number of replies to its New Year Edition appeal for complimentary advertising.

The first three to reply were: Sons of Italy Lodge No. 487, Binghamton, N. Y.; Grand Venerable Carmine A. Ventiera, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, Green Harbor, Mass.

OSIA NEWS' financial need is greater this year than any other period in its existence.

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cannot rest until the unfair National Origins Act is amended, and other discriminatory and unfair sections of the Immigration Law eliminated. Our Immigration Committee can make a great contribution in this objective during the next session of the 86th Congress."

Culotta said his committee is now making a study of proposed immigration bills before Congress, and further, that members of the committee will soon register as lobbyists in the interest of immigration legislation.

The move to register the chairman and committee members will enable the group to appear before Congressional Immigration Committees to press for legislation in accord with the Order's 7-point program.

"This committee will have the opportunity together with many other civic groups to press for liberal immigration laws next year during the second session of the 86th Congress. An election year is often a propitious time to press for good legislation," he said.

In concluding his report, Culotta said:

"The Order Sons of Italy in America has been a champion in the forefront of the battle to eliminate discriminatory immigration legislation for the past 55 years. While much progress has been made, much remains to be done. We must rid our statute books of the National Origins policy which expresses by legislative fiat that one person, simply because of birth, is better than another person who may be a much better potential citizen than the presently favored one."

NAMED ASSISTANT



Joseph A. Furnari, West Roxbury, has been named Administrative Assistant to Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, Green Harbor, Mass. Brother Furnari, a practicing attorney, is a former grand trustee of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge.

Italy's Position in World Crises

Teenager's Thesis

What does the average teenager think these days?

You wouldn't be far off par if you answered hot rods, cha-cha, rock 'n' roll and possibly a Saturday night date. These things seem to go with today's youngsters as meat balls go with spaghetti.

These are the things that come naturally and to no one's surprise. But there are always exceptions, of course, to the run-of-the-mill. One exception, and a notable one at that, is James J. Magaldi, 18-year-old college student. James is in his freshman year at Worcester (Mass.) Polytechnic Institute. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Magaldi of Braintree, Mass. The elder Magaldi is a former Supreme Trustee and has a wide acquaintance in the Order.

As part of his class work in his final year in high school, James wrote a thesis, "Italy's Position in World Crises."

Some 3500 words in length James' thesis won high praise from faculty members of the Braintree High School. "Excellent in all respects" was the notation made by his high school teacher in English.

How did he come to pick the subject for his thesis? James has an inherent love for Italy, stemming, of course, from home environments. He has never been in Italy, yet his composition shows an amazing knowledge of Italy's economic and political background.

A tremendous amount of research went into preparing the thesis. It is divided into three phases—(1) Postwar Development of Italy 1900-1914; (2) Appearance of Fascism in post-war Italy; (3) Position of Italy in the Cold War.

To gather the material for the composition James poured through two score or more books, magazines, newspaper articles and bulletins.

The Braintree High School honor graduate is a member of the National Honor Society. He was president of his class, was a member of the student council and served as vice president of the Eastern Massachusetts division of student councils.

James was captain of the school's basketball team and was named to three all-star teams. He was selected by the Bay State League, the Framingham News and the Record-American all-scholastic team. He was granted a scholarship by the American Legion for outstanding citizenship while in high school.

JAMES J. MAGALDI

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Parade, Banquet Are Highlights

PHILADELPHIA—A banquet, a mammoth parade, a memorial Mass and visits to the statues of Christopher Columbus and Benjamin Franklin were highlights of the two-day observance of Columbus Day by members of the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge.

Walter E. Alessandroni, recently appointed U. S. Attorney for Eastern Pennsylvania by President Eisenhower, was presented the Grand Lodge's Distinguished Merit Award at the banquet held at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel.

The two-day observance, which began with a memorial Mass in St. Rita's Church, was followed by visits to the statues of Christopher Columbus and Benjamin Franklin at Fairmount Park and Franklin Institute, respectively.

The parade, with more than 8000 participants, originated at the Sons of Italy building and was reviewed by Grand Lodge and civic officials as it passed before Independence Hall.

The parade included units of the armed service organizations, the National Guard, veteran and fraternal groups, city departments, string bands, parochial school children and Boy Scouts.

Among the floats entered was one carrying the Sons of Italy Queen, Miss Mary Ann Acquaviva, and her entourage.

Grand Orator Nicholas A. Cipriani was general chairman of the two-day festivities.

Maryland

Gov. Tawes In Tribute To Order

BALTIMORE, Md.—Gov. J. Millard Tawes and Baltimore's Mayor J. Harold Grady issued Columbus Day proclamations requesting citizens to display purple in commemoration of America's discoverer.

In his message Governor Tawes paid tribute to the Order. He said the Order Sons of Italy in America is "a representative element of an old civilization which has contributed to the enlightenment of the human spirit," and its activities "enrich and broaden the pattern of the American way of life."

Governor Tawes acknowledged the Order's introduction of the "wearing of the purple," and in his message "urged all Americans to proudly display this regal color in honor of this occasion."

Committee Adopts Purple

Mayor Grady, calling upon the people of Baltimore to participate in the Columbus Day ceremonies, said, "I further request our citizens to prominently display purple, adopted as the official color of the Order Sons of Italy, and the Mayor's Committee, in honor of this truly great man, to remind us of the great debt of gratitude humanity owes Christopher Columbus."

Past Grand Venerable Vincent Flaccio, general chairman of the city's Columbus Day Committee, presented the Order's Purple Aster to Mayor Grady.

Grand Venerable Samuel A. Culotta was chairman of the Italo-American organizations participating in the parade. Ex-Grand Venerable Vito A. Marino was vice chairman of the general committee.

PENNSYLVANIA YOUTH CENTER DRIVE
Arnold Orsatti, Philadelphia, left, chairman of the Grand Lodge Youth Centers fund drive, accepts \$500 check from Jacob Kossman, Philadelphia attorney, towards goal to erect a Sons of Italy youth center in Philadelphia.

Mt. Union, Pa.

Lodge Burns Mortgage

MT. UNION, Pa.—Grand Deputy Jerry C. Risoldi, Altoona, was principal speaker at the mortgage - burning ceremonies conducted by Unione E Fratellanza Lodge No. 1257.

Risoldi, a member of the Mortuary Fund Commission, noted the lodge's modest beginning in 1923 when it held meetings in the basement of the local church.

"From that day years of hard work followed from one administration to another and finally today you have a Sons of Italy home of your own and a very good membership. The Sons of Italy is proud of you and it is an honor to be your Grand Deputy," he said.

Venerable John Imperioli, assisted by Risoldi, set fire to the mortgage papers.

Imperioli praised previous administrations and present officers for the lodge's success.

Other speakers included Assist-

Cites Ideal Lodge Program

OSIA NEWS recently received a letter from Frank C. DiPrima, a member of the Order in Upper Darby, Pa., in which the writer offers a number of suggestions to enhance the prestige and progress of the Order.

In his letter, DiPrima advocates (1) greater youth activity within the Order, (2) points up a need for greater assistance to older members, and (3) calls for more Italo-American "success" features in the Order's national publication.

Di Prima notes that too many lodges do not allow for adequate youth activity in the make-up of the lodge programs.

The ideal adult lodge program, according to the writer, would include a well-rounded youth program under the guidance of competent instructors. He suggests that the children be grouped in age brackets, and for some activities he includes music, dramatics, dancing, all types of sports and politics.

DiPrima's thoughts in advancing the proposed youth program is that it will be an aid in curbing

juvenile delinquency, it will prepare them for greater concentration in high school studies and make them well-rounded future citizens.

In meeting the financial obligation that such a program would entail, DiPrima suggests that the cost be subsidized by the lodge and the parents of the children who attend.

He also makes the observation that many of our older members and their families at one time or another are in financial straits.

DiPrima suggests each lodge organize a welfare committee and that each member be made to serve on a rotating basis.

This committee, according to DiPrima, would investigate the validity of claims brought before it and provide immediate assistance through job placement or loans.

Referring to OSIA NEWS as "the heart of the organization," DiPrima made the suggestion that the publication carry more features on prominent Italians and Italo-Americans in every strata of success. He added that OSIA NEWS also should be made appealing to the youth.

Columbus Day At Easton, Pa.

EASTON, Pa.—Members of Enrico Millo Lodge No. 128 observed Columbus Day at a banquet held at the Easton Hotel.

A highlight of a recent lodge meeting was the induction of five new members.

Philadelphia

Consul General Honored

PHILADELPHIA—The Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania joined with other civic organizations in paying tribute to Italian Consul General Dr. Giovanni Luciolli at a farewell dinner held at the Bellevue-Stratford Hotel. More than 1000 persons attended.

Doctor Luciolli has been reassigned to the Italian Embassy in Washington, D. C., where he will serve as adviser to Italian Ambassador Manlio Brosio.

President Judge Eugene V. Alessandroni, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order, was toastmaster.

Speakers included Lt. Gov. John Morgan Davis, Mayor Richardson F. Dilworth, Judge Adrian Bonnelly and Judge Victor J. DiNubile.

Pennsylvania Social Events

PHILADELPHIA—The Pennsylvania Grand Lodge's Special Events Committee has prepared an ambitious program of social events for the new season.

The announcement was made by Joseph A. Valeo, committee chairman.

The program, as outlined by Valeo, includes Friday and Sunday night professional shows, Latin-American nights, weekly fashion shows, cocktail parties, western-style barn dances, kitchen kapers and tribute nights.

Cultural Series
In addition, Valeo said, a cultural series will include opera programs, music appreciation classes, lectures, symphony con-

certs, art exhibits and music by the Muneir Society.

"To make these programs successful," said the chairman, "we must have the cooperation of the lodges and their members. We will sponsor any worthwhile program demanded by the membership, but all of these activities must be supported actively."

Attending the group's first meeting were Rocco Gigante Jr., Robert Aversa, Robert Berardi, Domenic Rossi, Lena Campbell, Anna Gullo, Joseph Dintino, Pat Falvello, Dolores Troilo, Marie and Josephine Sica, Marie Prima, Michael Goffredo, Marie DiNubile and Leopold Saltzman, cultural adviser.

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NATIONAL CHAIRMEN AND SUPREME DEPUTIES

National Committee Chairmen and Supreme Deputies appointed by the Supreme Venerable Americo V. Cortese, Philadelphia, president of the National Historical Society, and John A. Volpe, Malden, Mass., chairman of the National Home Committee have also been named Supreme Deputies. Cortese represents the Grand Lodges of New York and Maryland and Volpe, the Grand Lodge of Florida. Photograph of John G. Spatuzza, Chicago, Ill., Supreme Deputy for the Racine, Wis., lodges, was not available at press time.



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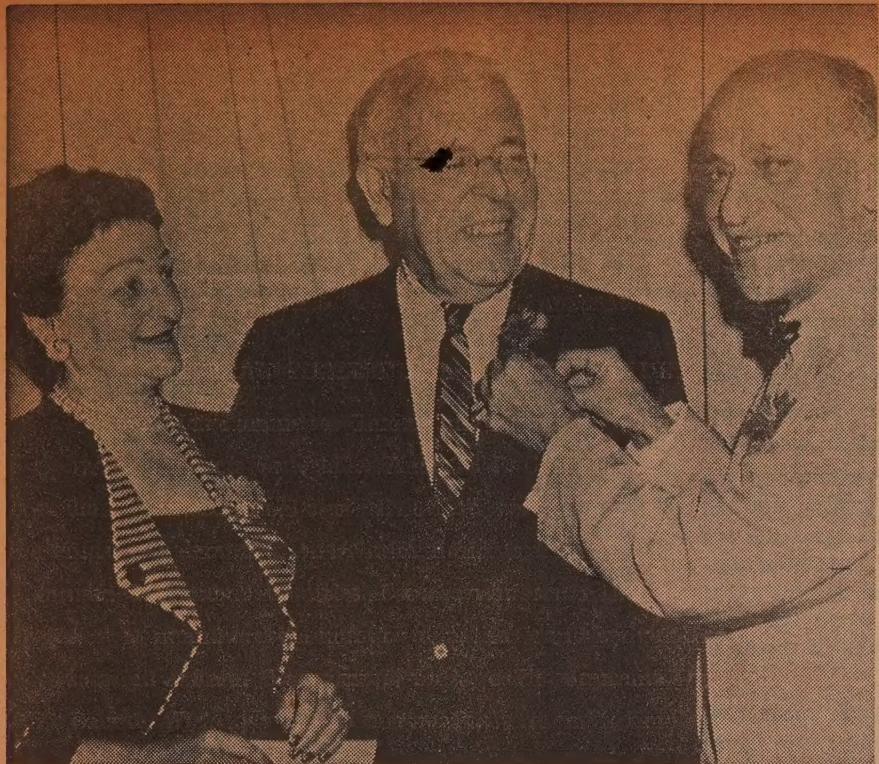
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IN PHILADELPHIA—President Judge Eugene V. Alessandrini, right, Grand Venerable of the Pennsylvania Order, pins the Order's official flower, the Purple Aster, on the lapel of Gov. David L. Lawrence, as State Rep. Mary Varallo, House majority whip, looks on. The presentation ceremony was held in the Governor's office.



IN WORCESTER, MASS.—Bishop Bernard J. Flanagan of the Worcester Diocese, accepts purple tag from six-year-old Arthur A. Porcaro Jr., of Shrewsbury. Venerable Gladys T. Bello of Princess Marie Gabriele Ladies' Lodge No. 813, Worcester, and Venerable John L. Sciascia of Shrewsbury Men's Lodge, look on.

Camera Views of Columbus Day in the Order

The "Wearing of the Purple" played a prominent role in Columbus Day observances held by Grand Lodges and subordinate lodges throughout the Order. The Order's official flower, the Purple Aster, adopted at the August Supreme Lodge convention held in Boston, was displayed by members and their guests at a number of functions. At a number of Columbus Day events, the purple theme was carried out in the form of hall and table decorations, printed programs, souvenirs, costumes and float tableaus in a number of parades.



IN YOUNGSTOWN, OHIO—State Sen. Anthony O. Calabrese, Grand Venerable of the Ohio Order, presents Purple Aster to Judge William F. Cericone, Pittsburgh, Pa., Columbus Day banquet speaker. At left is Supreme Trustee Anthony E. Candela, Ashtabula, and at right, Nicholas Fortunato, committee member.



IN ASHTABULA, OHIO—Mrs. Thomas Ferritto presents Order's Purple Aster to City Councilor Edward Muto at Columbus Day banquet here sponsored by members of Enrico Fermi Lodge. At right is Thomas Ferritto, banquet chairman. A large gathering attended the observance.



IN POTTSVILLE, PA.—Mayor Michael A. Close is presented Purple Aster prior to Columbus Day banquet sponsored by Sons of Italy Lodge No. 1523. Anthony Piccioni, lodge venerable, left, looks on, as Charles DeCicco, program committee chairman makes the presentation.



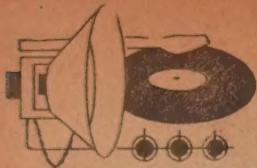
IN LEWISTON, MAINE—Mayor Romeo Boisvert, left, displays purple ribbon presented by Emile Masselli, past venerable of Columbus Lodge.



IN JOHNSTOWN, PA.—Little Debbie Magistro pins Purple Aster to lapel of Sam Marrocco, general chairman of the Johnstown Lodges observance.



IN AUBURN, MAINE—Grand Trustee James McMahon, left, presented purple ribbon to Mayor Paul Brogan, who attended the Columbus Day banquet here.



RECORDS IN REVIEW

By A. ALFRED MARCELLO

Any music lover who has stereo equipment certainly will not dispute the statement that this new medium of recording music has worked wonders with operas. Since the advent of stereo we have been treated to some unforgettable moments in opera. This is particularly true of those recordings which concern themselves solely with operatic highlights for orchestra.

And at the top of the list for such recordings is the new London release **OPERATIC HIGHLIGHTS FOR ORCHESTRA**, featuring Pierino Gamba and the London Symphony. This is the same Pierino Gamba who only a few short years ago dazzled the music world as the child-prodigy conductor.

Back in 1948 music critics were betting dollars to doughnuts that 12 year-old Pierino was nothing but a flash in a pan and would soon be relegated to obscurity.

But time has proved these critics wrong. Gamba, the ex-child prodigy, at 22 may still be boy-sized, but he seems to be making a new name for himself as a conductor. His work in the new London release vividly demonstrates this. He breathes new life, gives a fresh interpretation to a program devoted to Italian music of the late 19th century. This new album includes, besides orchestral excerpts from operatic favorites, two symphonic compositions.

The most effective of the operatic favorites is the Dance of the Hours from Ponchielli's *La Gioconda*. We have heard this ballet from *La Gioconda* performed many times but never with the dynamic quality that Gamba manages to extract from the London Symphony Orchestra.

And equally as effective are the interpretations of Preludes to Acts 1 and 3 of *La Traviata*; the incomparable intermezzo from Mascagni's *Cavalleria Rusticana* and Verdi's overture, *I Vespri Siciliani*.

This is one Album we know you'll want for your collection. Especially if you are an opera lover. And what Son of Italy isn't?

Andrea Chenier

There is more good news for the followers of this column. With their traditional love for opera and good music we are certain that our readers will enjoy another London release, highlights from Giordano's **ANDREA CHENIER**. This album features the magnificent voice of Mario Del Monaco, Renata Tebaldi, Ettore Bastianini and Maria Teresa Mandalari, among others.

Although recorded in England the album is basically "Italian." In addition to the all-Italian cast, this album boasts the Orchestra of the Accademia Di Santa Cecilia of Rome, with Gianandrea Gavazzeni, conducting.

Puccini's comic opera **GIANNI SCHICCHI** has been recorded by Capitol and by far it is the best recording of Puccini's one-act opera ever committed to wax.

Tito Gobbi sings the title role and he does a magnificent job. Victoria de los Angeles is the other star of this recording, but it's Gobbi's art which puts it over.

Persuasive Percussion

When you've been in the newspaper business as long as we

have you are inclined to look at things with a jaundiced eye. Experience has conditioned you to such superlatives as stupendous, tremendous, used to describe a play, a movie or a new record. But once in a while something does come along that warrants the use of a descriptive adjective or two. In this case it's a new recording released by Command Records and we are indebted to Mike Parillo, sales manager of Records, Inc., Boston distributor, for bringing it to our attention.

This new Command release has the intriguing title of **PERSUASIVE PERCUSSION**. This is one of the most unusual recordings we have heard since we got bitten by the hi-fi bug.

The sound is out of this world. This is no "gimmick" record. It employs no tricks as such. Rather this is an excursion in skillful engineering and solid music.

The result is exciting and stimulating music recorded in the highest of fidelity.

The music is by Terry Snyder and the All Stars, featuring a number of experts in their particular field.

There is a wide range of selections including such hits as Whatever Lola Wants, from The Damn Yankees; I Love Paris, Orchids in the Moonlight, Tabu, Love is a Many Splendored Thing, and The Breeze and I.

United Artists Treat

At long last — Leopold Stokowski has been given a recording assignment that is worthy of his genius as a conductor. United Artists, comparative newcomer to the classical field, has provided Stokowski with the medium to display his virtuosity as a conductor. The recording is **SHOSTAKOVICH'S SYMPHONY NO. 1 IN E MAJOR (Opus 10)**.

United Artists has given Stokowski and The Symphony of the Air, the benefit of fabulous engineering, it is true. But it's Stokowski's dynamic conductorial control that makes this album one of the finest to come our way in many a moon.

Stokowski is paired with the Symphony of the Air in two other United Artists releases **KHACHATURIAN SYMPHONY NO. 2** and **BLOCH, SCHELOMO AND BEN-HAIM: FROM ISRAEL** (suite for orchestra). Here, too, Stokowski displays the old-time form that endeared him to music-lovers when he conducted the Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra.

Khachaturian's symphony is of recent vintage. It was first performed in Moscow in 1944. A year later the first American performance was in New York with Leonard Bernstein conducting.

It's the type of music that seems suited for Stokowski's unusual talents and he makes the most of it.

Bargain LP's

Collector's Guide to Good Buys

Here are a number of new releases to reach the record counters and which we classify as "bargains of the month" (1) because of the price (\$2.98 each) and (2) because of repertoire. These are all stereo recordings.

Richmond Label:

ROSSINI OVERTURES: The incomparable William Tell and Barber of Seville on one side and Semiramide and The Silken Ladder on the other. Kenneth Alwyn in a masterful job of conducting the New Symphony Orchestra of London.

TCHAIKOVSKY: Swan Lake Suite and Grieg's Peer Gynt Suite No. 1. Neatly executed performances by Kenneth Alwyn and the London Philharmonic Orchestra. The stereo sound is excellent.

RACHMANINOFF: Piano Concerto No. 2. Peter Katin, pianist, with the New Symphony Orchestra of London, Colin Davis conducting. Katin's performance is restrained yet he gives this classic a warm and graceful interpretation.

Telefunken Label:

BEETHOVEN: Symphony No. 4. Joseph Keilberth conducting the Hamburg State Philharmonic Orchestra. This one should prove quite satisfactory to Beethoven lovers. Good stereo sound and quality interpretation.

DVORAK: Slavonic Dances. Joseph Keilberth in another excellent job of leading the Bamberg Symphony Orchestra. Colorful orchestral pieces.

MOZART: Symphonies: No. 38 in D, (K.504) and No. 39 in E Flat (K.543). The Bamberg Symphony Orchestra, Joseph Keilberth conducting. This disc is excellent on every count. Stereo especially effective.

TCHAIKOVSKY: Serenade for Strings; The Nutcracker Suite. Great deal of liveliness to this recording. The playing and the sound are both top-notch.

CHART PLAN FOR ACTION

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"Mafia power struggle" in Chicago gangland.

The ABC publicity release was larded with references to the Mafia.

For example:

"J. Carroll Naish guest stars as Joe Buccio, a Chicago district Mafia leader ticketed for 'forced' retirement by his gangland associates . . ."

"When a Chicago restaurant owner's body is found in his walk-in refrigerator, Ness recognizes the technique of the Mafia."

"The secret crime society's strange code of justice is set in motion . . ."

". . . This could mean that Mafia has chosen Charlie (Sebastiano) to step into Buccio's shoes."

On the basis of this publicity material the National Committee

A Guide for Our Members

A List of Those Who Made Possible TV Production

The following is a listing of all those concerned with the production and televising of the new television series, "The Untouchables." Because of the subject matter this series will bear close watching by all members of the Order.

We ask our readers to cut out this list and keep it for reference. We suggest also that our readers pass this information along to other members of the Order.

The Producers: Desilu Studios, 780 No. Gower Street, Hollywood 38, Calif.

The TV Networks: The American Broadcasting Co., 7 West 66th Street, New York 23, N. Y.

The Narrator: Walter Winchell, The New York Mirror, New York 17, N. Y.

And these are the sponsors who made possible the production of the series.

Armour and Co., Chicago, Ill.

Warner-Lambert Pharmaceutical Co., Morris Plain, N. J.

Ludens, Inc., 208 North Eighth Street, Reading, Pa.

E. I. duPont de Nemours & Co., Wilmington, Del.

Lewis Howe Co., 319 Fourth Street, St. Louis, Mo.

Liggett & Meyers Tobacco Co., 630 Fifth Avenue, New York City 20, N. Y.

Carnation Co., 5045 Wilshire Boulevard, Los Angeles, Calif.

Proctor & Gamble Co., 301 East 5th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Bulova Watch Co., Flushing 70, N. Y.

Suggests Course of Action

One Man's Campaign

Arnold M. Nardone of Devon, Pa., has conducted a unique one-man campaign to help puncture the myth of the Mafia bogey man. The brunt of his efforts have been concerned with debunking the Frederic Sondern novel, "The Brotherhood of Evil: The Mafia."

Because Reader's Digest published a condensed version of the Sondern novel, Nardone cancelled his subscription to the magazine. In so doing he wrote to the editor of the magazine and cited his reasons for his action.

The editor in his reply to Nardone said: "Your protest did not really come as a surprise" and that the author "foresaw the very criticism being made now."

In a letter to the director of OSIA NEWS, Nardone has a number of suggestions on how to combat television people. Here is his letter in part:

Dear Alfred:

First permit me to congratulate you on the fine work you are doing as director of OSIA NEWS. Every Italo-American should be proud of the intelligent manner you have been conducting the fight on racial prejudice.

Keep up the good work and if the television people get too tough I suggest we organize a picketing team to tell our story on signs in front of each sponsor's factory and TV station.

I just read your latest edition of OSIA NEWS and I noticed you are having trouble with the TV stations. I suggest you tell the

TV and Hollywood producers that unless they relent and desist from naming all their criminal characters Italians, that we then intend to send out picketing teams with signs in all the major cities and will picket TV stations, movie houses and also sponsors of the programs we Italo-Americans object to.

That's the only way you can stop these money-hungry, greedy monsters who would prostitute their own people for the sake of a successful TV program. They have a good thing, Alfred, you know that, and they won't stop unless we break them at the box office.

I suggest a Minute Men of America team made up of picketing teams with signs in all major cities. We would also picket the major studios involved.

Think of the publicity in the newspapers? In one blow you could knock the props from under the TV and movie producers. I handled several of these programs for other minorities. If you are interested let me know at once.

Arnold M. Nardone
Devon, Pa.

October 29th production then the National Committee on Public Relations sent out a second bulletin alerting members of the Order to the October 29 telecast.

Second Alert

This second alert again spelled out action to be taken. The bulletin asked those receiving the alert to contact members in their respective community and advise them of the program.

The alert stated that in the event the October 29th production actually mentioned the Mafia then "OPERATION BOYCOTT" was in order.

Members were asked to unleash a flood of letters to the American Broadcasting Co., Walter Winchell, who narrated the program, and the sponsors.

We also stated that in the event there was no reference of any kind to the Mafia in the

Check carefully and if action is called for do your part and do it well.

PAGINA ITALIANA

da Ernesto L. Biagi

Paragrafi Brevi

Inconcludenti

Ho sentito di un Paese dove si piange alle nascite e si gioisce, invece, alle morti.

Noi, molto stupidamente, facciamo tutto il contrario: all nascite si fa baldoria, mentre il neonato strilla come un indemoniato protestando il suo ingresso nella nostra "valle di lagrime," ai funerali, invece, dove il morto se ne sta quieto e soddisfattissimo di aver lasciato questo mondo infame per andarsene a "miglior vita," piagniamo, o per lo meno facciamo finta di piagere!

Siamo proprio inconcludenti, non vi pare?

Roba di un altro Mondo

La cronaca: Un certo Bryant, militare di stanza a Fort Devens, Mass., ammogliato con due figli, ebbe un forte litigio con la moglie, oriunda tedesca e sposa di guerra, la quale si era rifiutata di traslocarsi per raggiungerlo al campo militare. In seguito alle percosse ricevute dal marito, la donna è morta. Il militare sarà processato per omicidio colposo.

Commenti: Un amico nostro, che ragiona all'antica, ci ha detto che "la moglie deve seguire il marito" e quindi "ben le sta!"

E come "ben le sta!" il fatto è che non le sta per niente perché la poveraccia è morta. Quel che vorremmo sapere è se il marito la pensava anche lui "all'antica" come il nostro amico, non sembrerebbe giacché il militare Bryant è giovane e non può perciò pensarla come si pensava su queste cose cinquanta, o anche venticinque anni fa. Oggi so contrae matrimonio senza pensarci sopra due volte; non è più come una volta quando veramente la moglie "sapeva" che era suo dovere di seguire il marito:

Voglio venir con te dovunque andrai
perché solo così sarò felice
nella certezza che tu m'amrai!

Non più, purtroppo! e gli uomini debbono imparare a rispettare i desideri e le opinioni, se non le bizzarre e i capricci, delle mogli!

Lasciate Andare i Pazzi

Così ha consigliato gl'Italiani della Pennsylvania Occidentale, S. E. il Vescovo Wright di Pittsburgh: "Lasciate perdere i pazzi; essi parlano per invidia e gelosia... Voi siete un popolo incomparabile di geni e di eroi... Tutti siamo un po' italiani, un po' romani. Il mondo intero canta le vostre belle canzoni; la vostra musica alletta gli animi di tutti. Voi siete la gente della Santa Pazienza! il mondo ha bisogno di voi! Lasciate perdere i pazzi, calunniatori e maligni."

Sua Eccellenza il Vescovo Wright è un vecchio e grande amico dei Figli d'Italia; nel Massachusetts, il Prelato era Pastore amatissimo, rispettato e stimato dei nostri confratelli di Worcester.

Ma questa, che è la campagna contro la maledicenza e contro la calunnia, non è cosa nuova per i Figli d'Italia che, infatti, si sono risentiti ad ogni occasione ma hanno anche "lasciato perdere i pazzi."

Il 4 Maggio, 1911, si legge nelle storie dell'Ordine, il Supremo Concilio protesto energicamente l'andazzo della stampa del tempo che abusava l'uso della parola "ITALIA-NO" innanzi ai delitti commessi dai nostri connazionali.

E pian piano non si fece più l'abuso e quando succedeva "il fattaccio" lamentevole, il colpevole era "il tale dei tali" o semplicemente Pasquale Tizio... senza menzione della sua nazionalità.

Le cose van fatte con serietà, senza esagerazione, con piena dignità; perché a me sembra che esagerando, iperbolizzando, si fa più male che bene. Come con la storia della mafia, non è forse ora che la smettiamo di fare i martiri, i perseguitati, le vittime?...

Definizioni

Fidanzamento: Prefazione divertente di un libro noioso (Angelo Frattini). Una chiamata alle armi; il divorzio è invece il disarmo (J. Gallard Pollard); Sala d'aspetto del matrimonio (Anonimo).

Fidanzata: La fidanzata è una contraffazione della felicità; la moglie è l'avvenuta spendita dolosa di quel biglietto falso (F. Mezzina).

Fidanzati: I fidanzati troppo autoritari sono come i chiodi: se non si piegano si piantano (F. A. De Torres); I fidanzati sono, per lo più, noiosi: se si travano insieme sono teneri, opprimenti per il resto della compagnia, e se sono divisi si scrivono lettere o si preparano a scriverle (T. Fontane); Ai fidanzati bisogna consigliare un regime di reciproca riservatezza, di reciproca astinenza; quanto più prendono come fidanzati, tanto meno troveranno come marito e moglie (R. Bracco).

Fidanzato: Fidanzato è quella cosa
che ha la propria fidanzata;
quando poi se l'è sposata
fidanzato non è più. (Anonimo)

(Da "Quello che t'aspetti" dizionario spassoso a cura di Sabino Tito)

Ernesto L. Biagi, Editore

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California

Grand Lodge's 34th Birthday

SAN FRANCISCO—The Grand Lodge of California recently observed its 34th anniversary and paid tribute to its founder, Alfonso Cubicciotti.

Brother Cubicciotti organized the Grand Lodge on September 22, 1925 in Stockton and served as Grand Recording Secretary until his death in 1940.

During the 34-year span, nine men have served as Grand Venerable in guiding the progress of the California Order.

Edoardo Dinucci was elected the first Grand Venerable in 1925.

His successors have been Domenico Iannarone, honorary life Grand Venerable; James Caforio, Atty. Anthony S. Fiore, Charles Cutrona, Benedict V. DeBellis, Donato Ferrigno, the Order's third assistant supreme venerable; Peter J. Bertoglio and the present Grand Venerable, Attilio Raeta.

The present Grand Recording Secretary, Vincent Melella, was elected in 1940 and has been re-elected at each succeeding Grand convention.

A large gathering attended a dinner-dance held in the Sons of Italy ballroom commemorating the anniversary.

34 Inducted At Inglewood

INGLEWOOD, Calif.—A class of 34 new members was inducted into the Order by Centinela Valley Lodge No. 1991 honoring the visitation by Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta.

Grand Venerable Raeta presided at the ceremonies and was

The Supreme Chaplain's Corner

THE JESTER'S WAND

By RT. REV. MSGR. GUIDO L. PALLOTTA

In medieval times the Jester's Wand was the symbol of a fool. A certain king once handed such a wand to his court jester, saying: "Here, keep this wand until you find a greater fool than yourself."

Time passed. One day the king was told that he was about to die. Seeing his jester among the attendants in the sick-room, the king summoned him to the bedside and said: "I am going to leave you. I am going on a long journey from which I shall never return." The jester, sad at the news, said: "Of course, Your Majesty has made all preparations and sent your baggage ahead?" The king answered: "No, I have made no preparations and I have sent nothing ahead." The jester then said: "What! Your Majesty is going on a journey from which there is no return, and you have sent nothing before you to prepare for your arrival? Then, take the Fool's Wand, Majesty; it is yours, because I have found a greater fool than myself."

We, too, are deserving of the Jester's Wand if we do not prepare for our journey from which there is no return. The 'baggage' we should send ahead of us are the good works we should perform now; our prayers; our charity; our service to God and to our fellow-man, etc. These good works are like deposits we make in the bank of Heaven to our credit. They will accumulate interest for us, and they will be there waiting for us on Judgment Day.



FR. PALLOTTA

assisted by Gregorio Amendola, who served as herald.

Speakers at a dinner attended by more than 200 persons, were, Past Grand Venerable James R. Caforio; Second Assistant Grand Venerable Daniel D'Amico, Grand Trustee Frank Dilberto, Grand Deputies Louis Lavazzari, Fr. Andrea Pisano, Venerable Anthony Giordano and Venerable Philip Mazza.

Raeta Honored At Dinner

BELL, Calif.—Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta was honored at a banquet and dance sponsored

by members of Giuseppe Garibaldi Lodge.

Grand Venerable Raeta, principal speaker, was presented a gift of gold cuff links and tie pin by Past Grand Venerable James R. Caforio, toastmaster.

Venerable Philip Mazza extended the lodge greetings. Head table guests, Mrs. Attilio Raeta, Miss Dorothy Raeta, Second Assistant Grand Venerable and Mrs. Daniel D'Amico, Third Assistant Grand Venerable and Mrs. Salvatore Argento, Grand Trustee and Mrs. Frank Dilberto and Mrs. James R. Caforio.

La Cultura Italiana

Vi furono più artisti in Italia dal 1500 al 1520 che in tutto il mondo daccapre' Iddio lo ha creato sino adesso, e forse non ce ne saranno sino all'fine del mondo in un periodo uguale.

L'affermazione apparirà certamente ardita. Ma se voi mi farete la gentilezza di leggere questi pochi paragrafi, ve ne convincerete anche voi.

La Grecia ha avuto degli scultori insigni, senza dubbio; ma non ha avuto tanti scultori durante lo stesso tempo che avuto dei pittori ed architetti, tanti e così' ispirati come ha avuto l'Italia fra il 1500 ed il 1520. Abbiamo segnato il periodo nel 1520 perché in quell'anno morì il più grande pittore di tutti i tempi, e cioè' Raffaele, morto a trentotto anni- un vero genio della pittura.

Per rendere questo articolo breve, mi limiterò alla pittura per questa volta. E lo farò mostrando i vari pittori più rononati delle varie città italiane.

Cominciamo con Firenze, la culla della cultura italiana. Basta ricordare i nomi di Michelangelo, Andrea del Sarto, Botticelli e Raffaele; che vi dipingevano in quegli anni. Occorrerebbe richiamare altri nomi?

In quegli anni Raffaele e Michelangelo furono chiamati a Roma dal Papa Pio III, Michelangelo per lavorare sulla volta della Sistina, e Raffaele per immortalizzarsi con gli affreschi della Loggia Vaticana, opere semplicemente stupende.

Da Roma se passiamo a Milano, la nostra attenzione è subito attratta dal più grande genio italiano di tutti i tempi, Leonardo da Vinci. Questi era non soltanto pittore, ma scultore, scienziato, letterato, e architetto insigne. Impossibile arrivare alla profondità della mente di



da REV. JOHN J. CAPUANO

questo genio. Egli depinse l'Ultima Cena sopra le mura del refettorio dei Frari. Chi non conosce questa pittura?

A Parma, in questi anni dipingeva Antonio Allegri, detto il Correggio. La Cattedrale di Parma è piena degli affreschi fatti da lui, famosi per il loro chiaroscuro, e per i colori meravigliosi.

Ma quelli che hanno superato il Correggio per i colori furono i Veneziani, forse per la topografia Di Venezia. Giovanni Bellini fu il Maestro degli altri, Egli nacque nel 1426 e morì nel 1516. I suoi contemporanei e successori furono Giorgione e specialmente Tiziano, che diventò il più grande pittore veneziano, seguito poi dal Tintoretto, nato nel 1518, e dal Veronese, nato nel 1528.

Ecco i nomi ed i pochi dettagli.

Ma basta per provare la mia affermazione. Se voleste sapere di più, rivolgetevi all'Encyclopedia Italiana Cattolica, e troverete quanto volete sapere di questi immortali genii.

Io ho voluto accennare questi nomi appunto per farvi realizzare meglio la grandezza della pittura italiana, nella speranza che voi ne parlate ai vostri figli.

Fate studiare queste cose ai vostri figli. Se non sanno leggerle in italiano, le leggano in inglese. E un poco alla volta, lasciate che imparino la bella lingua italiana, onde apprezzare queste cose di più.

Non prendete l'attitude. "E' inutile; la gioventù non ne vuole sapere di lingua italiana, di letteratura italiana." Invece, insistete; parlate; cercate; un poco di bene ne verrà; e piano piano i vostri figli capiranno meglio, ed alcuni fra loro, si daranno con più impegno allo studio della pittura; e chi lo sa, un giorno potrete voi essere stati gli strumenti nelle mani di Dio per spronare la nostra gioventù a fare delle opere grandi per la nostra cara America.

Pennsylvania Choral Group Begins Rehearsal

PHILADELPHIA — I Vivaci, the Pennsylvania Grand Lodge's folk singing group has started rehearsals for the fall season.

Under the guidance of Carl Suppa, musical director, the choral group last year appeared throughout the Greater Delaware Valley, including shows in New Jersey.

The group's recent summer performance was at the Pennsylvania Grand convention held in Reading.

The group also features Italian folk dancing under the direction of Elba Gurzau. The group rehearses every Friday at 8 p.m. at the Sons of Italy Building. Ernest Nusca is general manager.



NEW ADMINISTRATION OF MARYLAND GRAND LODGE

The 1959-61 Grand Council elected at the recent Maryland Grand convention, seated, left to right, Grand Deputy Angelo DiBlasi, Raffaele Cantone, venerable of Colombo Lodge; National Deputy William Amoroso, Washington, D. C., supreme deputy for Maryland; Ex-Grand Venerable Vito A. Marino, Vincent Flaccimo, past grand venerable; Maria D'Orsi, venerable of Regina Elena Lodge; standing, left to right, Grand Trustee Alfred Grue, Second Assistant Grand Venerable Arnold Broccolino, Grand Trustee Marion Nasco, Grand Recording Secretary Guy Sardella, Grand Venerable Samuel A. Culotta, First Assistant Grand Venerable Roland Giacomelli, Grand Financial Secretary Tito Zappacosta, Grand Trustee Salvatore Cinquegrani and Grand Trustee Al Vidale.



OFFICERS OF NEW BOSTON-ITALIA LODGE NO. 2095

Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, Green Harbor, Mass., seated center, was principal speaker at the induction into the Order of the Boston-Italia Lodge No. 2095. Officers are, seated, left to right, Antonio Crupi, sentinel; Teddy Assini, treasurer; Frank Castaldi, venerable; Grand Venerable D'Agostino; Mario Baffo, assistant venerable; Lorenzo Donato, ex-venerable; Giovanni Grossi, financial secretary; standing, left to right, Joseph Crupi, recording secretary; Dan DiGirolamo, trustee; Anthony Scali; Armando Colucci, trustee; Carlo Anselmo, orator; Joseph DiModica, master of ceremony; Rivelio Campagna, Vincent Serio, Chirco Liberante, trustees, and Aldo Tenaglia, captain of the lodge's soccer squad.

SEVEN NEW LODGES ARE INSTALLED

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olina Angeli, president of the FUM.

Lodge officers are, Charles Passantino, venerable; Pearl Taormino, assistant venerable; Cataldo Volpe, ex-venerable; Frank Ragone, orator; Nancy Schillace, recording secretary; Mary Ann Passantino, financial secretary; Leonard Lobaito, treasurer; Rose Taormino, Virginia Blanco, Angela Gallo, Joseph Schillace, trustees; Cecilia Gallo and Angela Volpe, mistresses of ceremony; Joyce Lobaito, sentinel.

HAYWARD LODGE

HAYWARD—Delegations from more than 40 lodges attended the inauguration of the new Enrico Fermi Lodge No. 2094 organized by Grand Trustee Pat Mastrantonio.

Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta presided at the installation. He was assisted by Grand Recording Secretary Vincent Melella.

Giuseppe Mazzini Lodge of Freemont was sponsoring lodge.

RIO DELL LODGE

RIO DELL—Grand Venerable Attilio Raeta and Grand Recording Secretary Vincent Melella were installing officers at the

inauguration of the new Rio Dell Lodge.

Eureka Lodge was the sponsoring Lodge and Sister Gemma Torrieri was the lodge organizer.

New York

BRONX LODGES

NEW YORK CITY—A large gathering attended the inauguration of two new lodges at ceremonies held in the Bronx.

Grand Venerable Carmine A. Ventiera, Brooklyn, was principal speaker and presided at induction ceremonies.

Charters were presented to Northeast Bronx Lodge No. 2091 and American Daughters Lodge No. 2092.

Lodge officers are:

Northeast Bronx Lodge: Peter Vercetti, venerable; Rudolph Lombardi, assistant venerable; Peter Cerchiari, ex-venerable; Anthony Smaldone, orator; Vincent Luccarilli, recording secretary; Arthur Consilvio, financial secretary; John Rosa, treasurer; Joseph Pericone, Frank Rosa, Joseph Doyle, Anthony Rizzo, Al Montavani, trustees; Dominick Rizzo, Angelo Alifi, George Lista, masters of ceremonies, and B. Rovenzanio and Tom Lombardozzi, sentinels.

American Daughters Lodge: New officers are: Morabito,

Anna V. Rosa, venerable; Connie Vercetti, assistant venerable; Josephine Rizzo, orator; Caroline Luccarelli, recording secretary; Camille Santamorena, financial secretary; Angela Cosentino, treasurer; Grace Cerchiari, Mary Rosa, Ray Guerra, Violet Mangone, Evelyn Lombardi, trustees; Frances Kazazan and Ann Conti, masters of ceremony, and Anna Rotonda, sentinel.

MT. VERNON LODGE

MT. VERNON—Second Assistant Supreme Venerable Amadeo H. Volpe, Schenectady, was principal speaker at the inauguration of the new Mount Vernon Lodge No. 2089.

Grand Trustee Frank Yozzo, Dobbs Ferry, was installing officer. He was assisted by Grand Financial Secretary Constantine Fascia, Mechanicville, who served as herald. Serving as masters of ceremony were Louis Zito and Mrs. Angela Yozzo.

Ex-Venerable Joseph Belarge of the sponsoring Vittorio Veneto Lodge of Dobbs Ferry, presented the new lodge for induction.

Gregory J. Morabito Jr., son of Grand Recording Secretary Gregorio Morabito, was installed venerable. He was organizer of the lodge.

New officers are: Morabito,

venerable; Anthony DeBiase, ex-venerable; Joseph Scandurra, orator; Constance Fimmano, recording secretary; Salvatore Palmero, financial secretary; Salvatore Morabito, treasurer; Esther Dazzo, Venere Camporeale, Philip Curro, Gerardo Galliano, Nicholas Perilli, trustees; Angelo Camporeale and Anthony Cinquina, masters of ceremony.

Syracuse, N.Y.

Lodges Note Observance

SYRACUSE, N.Y.—Members of Golden Jubilee Lodge and Onesta E Lavoro Lodge celebrated Columbus Day with observances.

A buffet was held for members of Jubilee Lodge at the home of Mrs. Joseph Amato, venerable. Committee members included, Mrs. Maria Dellunto, Mrs. Pat Visconti and Mrs. Aida Sansone Ranalli.

Walter Ludovico, history teacher and football coach at Christian Brothers Academy, was principal speaker at a dinner held in the quarters of Lavoro Lodge. Grand Deputy Blago Genovesse also spoke. Assisting with arrangements were, Joseph Lostumbo, James Vizza, Jonas Solomone, Joseph Battaglino and Mrs. Ranalli.

Massachusetts

Boston-Italia Lodge Joins Order's Ranks

BOSTON—The Massachusetts Grand Lodge has come up with a new approach in its quest for greater youth participation in the activities of the Order.

A large gathering watched members of the Everett Junior Girl's Lodge perform the impressive ritual of induction at ceremonies highlighting the inauguration of the new Boston-Italia Lodge No. 2095.

The young ladies were directed by Lena Cardello and Olga Pietrantonio, lodge supervisors.

First Assistant Grand Venerable Peter E. Donadio, Dorchester, was installing officer. He was assisted by Second Assistant Grand Venerable Madeline Miceli, Medford; Grand Trustee Anthony Mosca, Boston, and Grand Trustee Anne Pascarelli, Dorchester.

Grand Venerable Paul A. D'Agostino, Green Harbor, was principal speaker. He is the organizer of the new lodge. He was assisted by Donadio, Mosca, and Joseph Furnari, West Roxbury, who has recently been named administrative assistant to the Grand Venerable.

The new lodge boasts a top-notch soccer team. Last year the team missed winning the national championships by the margin of one point.

Frank Castaldi was installed Venerable of the new unit. Soccer team officials are Salvatore Atria, coach; Gino Carpinteri, manager, and Aldo Tenaglia, captain.

Plan Testimonial For Mrs. Miceli At Medford, Mass.

MEDFORD, Mass.—Members of Santa Maria Lodge No. 1570 will honor Mrs. Madeline H. Miceli, recently elected to the office of Second Assistant Grand Venerable of the Massachusetts Grand Lodge.

A testimonial dinner will be held November 14 at the Gene Mack Gymnasium.

Mrs. Miceli is the first woman to hold the office of assistant grand venerable in the history of the Massachusetts Order.